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### Sierra National Forest

# SIERRA HERITAGE SCENIC BYWAY

## High Sierra Ranger District

The Sierra Heritage Scenic Byway is a designated member of the National Scenic Byway System. This designated route ties the Sierra Nevada Mountains with eight foothill and mountain communities. The route climbs 9,000 feet in elevation from the San Joaquin Valley to within viewing distance of the Kaiser, Dinkey Lakes, Ansel Adams and John Muir Wilderness areas. The Byway is approximately 70 miles long and takes about 4 hours to drive. The Byway is open year round from Old Town Clovis to the Huntington Lake Recreation Area. During the winter season, the portion from Huntington Lake to White Bark Vista is closed due to snow. Always check on road and weather conditions before leaving. Call the High Sierra Ranger District at 559-855-5355 for more information.

### OLD TOWN CLOVIS

Clovis is a full service community with lodging as well as significant landmarks such as the Dry Creek Museum, historic architecture and antique shops galore. Clovis has a wonderful country atmosphere and friendly attitudes to go with it. The Clovis Rodeo is hosted there every April. Many other events occur during the year such as cook offs and raft shows.

### PRATHER– 1700’ elevation

Further up Hwy 168 is the small community of Prather. This is a nice stop to get refreshments and stretch. It has several restaurants and shops to browse through. Prather has special events throughout the year such as craft fairs and sidewalk sales. Stop in at the Forest Service office as we have maps, information and a wonderful book selection. We can also help with lodging and food information.

### PINERIDGE– 4500’ elevation

Stopping at Vista Point you can look out over the San Joaquin Valley where once there were logging mills and apple orchards. In the spring the hills are covered with wildflowers. If you look uphill towards Pineridge School, you are looking at part of the 40 mile route of the Shaver Flume. This flume once transported logs from Shaver Lake to the mills in Clovis.

### SHAVER LAKE– 5600’ elevation

Shaver is home to the Museum of the Central Sierra located at Camp Edison on Hwy 168. The historic museum tells about the logging activities and how the dam was built in 1927. The museum also hosts several activities during the summer. Details can be obtained at 559-841-4478. There are campgrounds near the lake for the camping crowds and motels and cabins for the more relaxed trip.

### HUNTINGTON LAKE– 7000’ elevation

Huntington Lake is ranked as one of the top sailing lakes in the state of California. During the summer months the lake has several sailboat races and many other water activities. Fishing, canoeing, and water skiing are done on this alpine lake. There are several campgrounds and resorts for accommodations during the summer months. During the summer month guided nature walks and campfire programs are available. China Peak Mountain Resort host activities all summer, such as triathlons, outdoor concerts, and mountain biking. For more information call 559-233-3330.

### KAISER PASS ROAD– 9200’ elevation

About 1 mile before the White Bark Vista turnoff, Kaiser Pass Rd turns into a one lane very narrow road. It is suitable for a passenger car. Note the sign of the dog’s graves at the White Bark turnoff. From the White Bark Vista one can see the John Muir, Kaiser, and Ansel Adams Wilderness areas.



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